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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Divisional of Application Serial No. 09/808,041 of Shunji TSUIDA, Hironori IMURA, and Hideo MAKISHIMA  
ELECTRON TUBE DEVICE MOUNTED WITH A COLD CATHODE AND A  
METHOD OF IMPRESSING VOLTAGES ON ELECTRODES OF THE  
ELECTRON TUBE DEVICE

**Assignee: NEC CORPORATION**

Our Ref: Q66068

J1017 U.S. PTO  
09/960767  
09/24/01

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/808,041 (Confirmation No. Unknown ) March 15, 2001, which is a Divisional of Application 09/132,571 now allowed filed August 12, 1998 of Shunji TSUIDA, Hironori IMURA, and Hideo MAKISHIMA, entitled ELECTRON TUBE DEVICE MOUNTED WITH A COLD CATHODE AND A METHOD OF IMPRESSING VOLTAGES ON ELECTRODES OF THE ELECTRON TUBE DEVICE.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 16 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2817.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

Priority is claimed from August 12, 1997 based on JP Application No. 217666/1997. The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/132,571.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	4 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	4 - 3	=	1	x	\$80.00	=	\$80.00
Base Fee							\$710.00

**TOTAL FILING FEE**

**\$790.00**



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A check for the statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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